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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME 37 CFR 1.136(a)

Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Applicants petition the Commissioner for Patents under 37 CFR 1.136(a), to extend the time for response to the outstanding Missing Parts dated February 5, 2002. This petition will extend the period for response from April 5, 2002 to May 5, 2002 (Sunday).

× A one-month extension is requested; the extension fee is \$110.00.

X Charge \$110.00 to **Deposit Account No. 03-1952** referencing docket no. 449122020100.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees under 37 CFR 1.16 and 1.17 that may be required by this petition, or to credit any overpayment to **Deposit Account** No. 03-1952 referencing docket no. 449122020100. A duplicate copy of this petition is enclosed for that purpose.

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